

## Happenings in Missouri.

### Encourage the Hen.

If a case of eggs in the Ozarks is worth two boxes of oranges in California, and the Ozark hen is as productive as the California orange tree why go any further? That is one of the ideas that was promulgated at the Missouri Land and Industrial congress. The congress shouted for Missouri. It was conducted under the supervision of the Missouri board of immigration. In Southern Missouri there are thousands of acres of undeveloped land that may be purchased for from \$2.50 to \$12 an acre. The board of immigration is urging real estate agents and immigration agents to run homeseekers' excursions to these cheap productive lands. A little brass hen suspended on a pin, that was worn on the coat lapel, is one of the emblems of the congress. Missouri produces millions in minerals and cereals, but the hen is the greatest source of wealth. Last year she topped the list with \$45,000,000 in eggs. And the Ozark farmer is being urged to encourage the hen in her ambition. The hen will grow and thrive as well in the Ozarks as in the counties of more congested population that earlier were developed by reason of the early egress of the railroads.

### Spend More for Agriculture.

Missouri should spend more money to encourage agriculture, J. C. Swift of the Kansas City Commercial club told the Industrial congress. The university and the agricultural college should receive more encouragement in the way of appropriations from the state legislature. Such encouragement as that produces such men as F. D. Cohn of Kansas, who refused an appointment as United States senator in order that he might remain with the state's agricultural department. Let Missouri encourage her professors in the agricultural school that they will not be taken away to other states by better salaries. In one year Iowa or Illinois spent more money to teach and encourage agriculture than Missouri has spent in the last 25 years.

### A Revival of Tobacco Farming.

Weston is gaining prominence as a tobacco market. The American Tobacco company has erected a large warehouse and is filling it with tobacco grown in that vicinity. One day recently 60 wagons loaded with tobacco were on the streets at one time. It reminded the old settlers of the Civil war times when Weston was a steamboat landing for tobacco growers. The American Tobacco company has also established a warehouse and buying station at Lebanon. The Missouri Valley between Atchison and Leavenworth promises to become a great tobacco growing district. Nearly every farm in the territory has erected a tobacco barn in the last year.

### Kansas City Theaters.

At the Willis Wood for the week beginning Sunday, Feb. 6, "Brewster's Millions" will be the attraction. The play will be presented by the same cast which won success in the long runs at New York and Chicago. James T. Powers, in the London Gaiety musical play, "Havana," will continue at the Shubert during the week of February 6. The music of the play is by the composer of "Florodora."

### Would Give Lands to State.

Representative W. P. Borland, of Kansas City, has introduced a bill in congress which provides for turning over to all of the public lands in Missouri to the state.

### One Convict Each Day.

Want Dr. Hill to Remain. There was a mass meeting at the court house at Columbia to testify that Dr. A. Ross Hill, president of Missouri university, is going to be missed if he leaves the service of the state. It was stated at the meeting, and incorporated later in the resolutions adopted that Dr. Hill is considered a call to the University of Minnesota. Persons attending the mass meeting expressed the hope that Dr. Hill will not sever his connections with the University of Missouri.

### Orators at William Jewell.

William Jewell college will entertain the Missouri Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest in March and the student, the college paper, will publish the state number of the Oratorical association this year.

### City Water and Sewers for Centralia.

By a majority of 6 to 1, a \$45,000 bond issue for water works and a \$20,000 bond issue for a sewer system was voted at Centralia. The vote stood 271 for and 62 against.

### Two Arrests for Train Robbery.

Two men were arrested at Jefferson City at the instance of a Missouri Pacific fireman, who suspected they were implicated in the train robbery at Eureka. Both men have furnished the authorities with a list of the places they have been since Friday afternoon. They are being held for investigation.

### An Old Resident of Mexico Dead.

Mrs. George Kabinich, 76 years old, one of Mexico's oldest citizens, died at her home there.

### Select Assembly Grounds.

A committee chosen by the Presbyterian Synod of Missouri to select a site for an annual assembly ground announced that a 160-acre tract, near Hollister, Mo., on the White river, about fifty miles south of Springfield, had been selected. The synod committee, which was named at Kirksville, Mo., a year ago, will be the first board of directors of the assembly company. The company will be incorporated with a capital stock of \$50,000 to be divided in fifty thousand shares at \$1 each. The buildings and other improvements are expected to cost \$250,000, contributions having been promised by wealthy Presbyterians in Missouri, Arkansas, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas. The buildings will include an assembly hall, dining hall, recitation hall and bungalows. Parks and drives will also be established. The Modern Woodmen, the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. of Missouri which already have state camp sites at Hollister, will co-operate with the Presbyterians in building the assembly hall. Annual assemblies will be held at Hollister by the Presbyterians and noted men of that and other denominations will be obtained to deliver addresses. The committee which chose Hollister is composed of Rev. T. J. Bacon, Springfield; the Rev. E. E. Stringfellow, Springfield; the Rev. G. F. Bailey, Kansas City; the Rev. C. C. McGlinchey, Independence; John Montgomery, Jr., of Sedalia, and J. M. Patterson of Sedalia.

### Must Obey the Wife's Order.

A verbal notice by a wife to a saloonkeeper or his agent not to sell her husband intoxicating drinks is sufficient and it is not even necessary for the wife to state that her husband is an habitual drunkard in order to collect damages from the saloonkeeper if he violates her warning. This in substance, was the opinion of the Kansas City court of appeals, handed down in a Jackson county case. Mrs. Stella Farley was given a judgment in the circuit court against John Schmidt, a saloonkeeper at Sheffield and his bondsmen.

### To Save a Light Monopoly.

The validity of the \$50,000 electric light bonds voted by the citizens of Chillicothe on December 23 is attacked in a suit filed by the People's Gas and Electric company in the circuit court. The company alleges that the issue would exceed the city's debt-making power. The city has an assessed valuation of more than a million and a half. It has only fifteen thousand dollars of outstanding city bonds. The People's Gas and Electric company has the lighting monopoly there at present, its chief owners being Independence, Ia., men. The light bond issue was voted by an immense majority and the injunction suit is an unpopular move.

### Unidentified Man Killed.

An unidentified man was killed by a Burlington train between Liberty and Harlem. He was walking on the track and was not seen by the engineer until the train was too close to be stopped. The man wore good clothes and had a small sum of money in his pockets. Letters were found upon him written by relatives in Chicago and Minnesota. He is thought to have lived in Kansas City.

### For a Big Dam at St. Louis.

A deep harbor, by means of a dam from which may be developed more than one hundred and fifty thousand horsepower immediately, and 500,000 horsepower eventually, is planned for St. Louis by Lyman E. Cooley of Chicago, if congress appropriates money for a deeper Mississippi river channel.

### Carthage Uses Its Stone.

Carthage will soon have another beautiful stone building completed to add to its already long list of snow white public structures. It is the \$80,000 federal building which is built on a large lot surrounded by many stone buildings. The Carnegie library on one corner, the new stone theater now being built on the north side and a large stone office building on the south, and many more large buildings which will soon go up in that vicinity make it the most beautiful part of Carthage.

### Start on an Electric Road.

Work has been started on the central power house of the Mexico, Santa Fe & Perry Traction company's electric railroad at Mexico. The \$200,000 necessary to build the road was subscribed in bonds several weeks ago. Mexico citizens at one public meeting subscribed \$82,000 of the required amount. It runs north from Mexico to Perry, and south to Fulton, with a branch line to Columbia. It is expected the entire road will be completed by the first of next year.

### A Lone Jack Pioneer Dead.

Wesley Yankee, 88 years old, died at his home in Pleasant Hill. He settled in the Lone Jack neighborhood 41 years ago. He was the father of twelve children, ten of whom are living.

### Land at \$130 an Acre.

G. M. Thomason sold a hundred acres to John Willis at \$120 an acre and Joseph Parrott sold 80 acres to George Spears, Jr., at \$112.50 an acre. This land is five miles from Platte City.

## GREATEST COMET OF HISTORY

NOTHING EVER KNOWN LIKE THE DISPLAY IN WESTERN SKY.

Prof. Larkin Says It Is Largest Foreign Body Ever in Solar System So Far as Known.

Ocean Side, California.—Prof. Edgar Lucien Larkin, of Mount Lowe, speaking of the comet A 1910 said: "The huge comet now in display north of the sun at sunset is the largest foreign body ever in the solar system so far as known since the art of writing was discovered. From the beginning of Chinese records, B. C. 2900 and Chaldean, such a colossal comet has not been mentioned."

The comet proper, is not the largest on record but its attendant mass of luminous matter is wider in area than can be conceived of by vivid imagination. The area of the sun is about one-fifth of a square degree but the area of the luminous sheet of matter high above and far to the south of the comet is no less than 1,600 square degrees.

"The comet at sunset roughly estimated was 25 degrees in length. The length was vertical but the stem was not less than ten degrees in width, leaning toward the south."

North of the comet's length the sky was normal but far and away toward the south for 25 degrees and toward the zenith, 60 degrees, even to Saturn, the entire sky was covered with brilliant matter. No such thing is recorded in the history of man.

"This comet is magnificent beyond all powers of description. The nucleus is of enormous diameter and we are now making history that will endure for ages."

## HOLDING THE CATTLE BACK

Small Receipts at Kansas City, Keeps the Prices up in Spite of Boycott Rumors.

Kansas City, Mo.—Missouri and Kansas farmers and feeders who supply the Kansas City live stock markets with most of its cattle seem to have thrown down the gauntlet of battle both to boycotters and to packers.

Only 5,000 steers were received, against 12,000 Monday and the same number the next day, and prices, which have been coquetting toward lower figures, speedily rose. The market opened slow and closed very strong with active buying.

"Looks as if war is declared," a commission dealer said. "The farmer apparently is going to hold up his cattle, whether he can afford it or not. His salvation lies in keeping the market up."

## ARE NEAR A FAMINE IN PARIS

Flood Has Cut Off City's Food Supply and Prices Are Soaring.

Paris, France.—Paris is beginning to feel the pinch of hunger. The supply of fresh meat and vegetables is failing, and prices are soaring to famine figures. Some avaricious bakers, who attempted to double the price of bread, were roughly handled and two of them were thrown into the Seine at Charonne.

Premier Briand and the minister of finance, M. Cocheret, after a consultation estimated that the flood losses would exceed \$200,000,000.

Paris has been divided into five sections, each in charge of a military commander who will control the relief and rescue work.

## A CONFERENCE OF GOVERNORS

The Meeting in Washington a Pronounced Success—It Has Come to Stay.

Washington, D. C.—Nothing in the two houses of congress has been so interesting and significant as the adjournment of the third house—the house of governors—which with diplomatic modesty chooses to denominate itself the Conference of Governors. This conference of governors has undoubtedly come to stay and to show the public and the states. In its first independent session it has outgrown the expectation of its original elements, and is now and henceforward a great and expanding force in the government.

## Against the Corporation Law.

Wichita, Kansas.—Fifty Wichita corporations will meet to protest against the corporation income tax law. The time for filing reports on the incomes of Kansas corporations is March 1, and the tax must be paid by June 1. The corporations will ask that these dates be extended until the federal courts pass on the constitutionality of the law.

## Rayner Back to the Senate.

Annapolis, Maryland.—Isador Rayner was named to be United States senator to succeed himself, by both houses of the Maryland legislature. The action was ratified in joint session.

## Indians to Have a Paper.

Muskogee, Oklahoma.—Backed by the five chiefs of the Five Civilized Tribes and supported by influential Indians in all of these tribes, a new newspaper to represent the Indians will be established at Muskogee.

## Women March in Chicago.

Chicago, Jan. 28.—Marching from Willard hall to the City hall, more than 400 members of the Cook county W. C. T. U. petitioned Mayor Russell to abolish the vice districts of the city.

## EIGHTEEN YEARS AGO HE HAD LESS THAN 3 DOLLARS

HE IS NOW ONE OF THE RICHEST FARMERS IN SASKATCHEWAN, CENTRAL CANADA.

Arriving in Canada in 1891, just eighteen years ago, E. A. Guillemin could speak but his native language. He is a Frenchman. He had but a little over two dollars in his pocket, thus being short over seven dollars of the ten dollars required to secure entry for a homestead of one hundred and sixty acres. He eventually borrowed the money and near Forget, Saskatchewan, he started life in Canada on the homestead in which to-day he is the fortunate possessor of fifty quarter sections of land, or 8,000 acres.

Now Mr. Guillemin did not acquire all these acres as a result altogether of his farming operations, which were extensive. He looked with satisfaction upon what he was doing on his limited area, he was saving, careful, and had foresight. Surrounding land could be had for about \$5.00 per acre, and he continued buying as his savings would permit, until now he has fifty quarter sections, some of which he can sell at \$25.00 per acre.

Threshed Fifty Thousand Bushels. This year he was engaged in threshing on his place for 54 1/2 days. He threshed out 50,000 bushels of wheat, of which he sold 34,000 bushels, one train load, at a price varying from 84 to 87 cents per bushel. He has on hand still 16,000 bushels. In addition to wheat he raised 30,000 bushels of oats, 7,000 bushels of barley and 500 bushels of flax. He owns 104 horses and a number of cattle, but since the construction of the railway he has been engaged chiefly in raising wheat.

This year he bought his first threshing machine, paying for it the sum of \$2,100. He estimates that the machine earned for him this fall \$3,000, thus paying for itself in one season and leaving 1900 to the good. The weather was very propitious for farm threshing, not a single day being lost in the two months which were spent in this work. The wheat averaged 23 bushels to the acre and graded No. 1 and No. 2 Northern. In the past nine years seven good crops have been harvested on this farm. For six successive years the returns were excellent, that is in the years 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905 and 1906. In the two following years there was a partial failure. As the years have passed the quality of the buildings on the farm have been steadily improved, and are now as good as can be found in the district. About \$10,000 has been invested in this way by Mr. Guillemin. The farm consists of 6,880 acres, of which about 6,000 acres were under crop this season.

The Latest Scheme. "That new hotel will have red wallpaper in all the rooms." "Heavens! Why?" "So that when the guests kill—anything, it won't show."

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Uncle Eph Had at Least One Idea of How His Hogs Might Have Got Away.

Uncle Ephraim had two hogs, which he kept in a pen at the rear end of his little lot. They were of the "ranor-back" variety, and although they were fed bountifully with kitchen waste, it seemed impossible to put any fat on their attenuated frames. One morning when he went out to feed them they were not there. They had disappeared, leaving no clue to the manner in which they had made their escape.

"What's the matter, Uncle Eph?" inquired a neighbor, noticing the deep dejection with which the old man was looking down into the empty pen. "My haws is done gone, sah," he answered.

"No, sah. I don't see no signs dat anybody tuck 'em."

"Did they climb out over the top?"

"No, dey couldn't 'a done dat."

"How do you think they got away?"

"Well, sah," said Uncle Ephraim, "my 'pinion is dat dem haws kind o' raised deffersel up in aidge an' crope through a crack."—Youth's Companion.

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